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SUBJ: WILKINS/VESCO STORY: EXCELSIOR SERIES ON WILKINS

1. EXCELSIOR TODAY, JULY 7, CARRIES SEVENTH AND LAST OF SUBJECT SERIES. IT ASSERTS THAT ON JUNE 28, 1976 WILKINS VOLUNTARILY COMPLETED QUOTE SWORN TESTIMONY UNQUOTE OF NEARLY 900 PAGES BEFORE QUOTE OFFICIAL SECRETARIES OF THE COURT, WITHOUT THE PRESSURES OF FEDERAL PROSECUTIONS NOR OF THE POLICE, IN A JUDICIAL TERRITORY OF THE UNITED STATES WHICH IS HIS HOME, AND WHICH IS INDEPENDENT OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK. THIS SWORN TESTIMONY CONFIRMS AND AMPLIFIES IN EVERY SENSE THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND CONTENT OF THE SUBQUOTE GRADES SERIES DE EXCELSIOR END SUBQUOTE UNQUOTE.

2. EXCELSIOR ALLEGES THAT WILKINS' SWORN STATEMENT OF MAY 21, 1976 REPRESENTED THE WORDS OF ELLIOT SAGOR AND NOT OF WILKINS'. ITS CONTENTS WERE NOT INDEPENDENTLY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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VERIFIED. QUOTE ONLY THE SIGNATURE OF WILKINS WAS

AUTHENTICATED BY A NOTARY WHO AS CAN BE IMAGINED
IS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE JUDICIAL SUB-TERRITORY OF THE
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK. UNQUOTE. EXCELSIOR
FURTHER ALLEGES THE MAY 21 STATEMENT QUOTE CONTAINS FALSEHOODS
AND OMISSIONS, AND WAS PREPARED BY THE HIGH OFFICIALS
INVOLVED AND SIGNED BY WILKINS UNDER PRESSURE AND
THREATS UNQUOTE. A KEY OMISSION WAS ALLEGEDLY THE
FAILURE TO INCLUDE REFERENCE TO DISCUSSIONS OF POSSIBLE
ASSASSINATION.

3. EMBASSY CONSIDERS IT IS ESSENTIAL RPOMPTLY TO DENY
THESE ALLEGATIONS (PARA 2 ABOVE) CONCERNING THE
CIRCUMSTANCES OF WILKINS' MAY 21 DECLARATION IF THEY ARE NOT
TRUE. REQUEST NIACT IMMEDIATE RESPONSE SO THAT WE CAN MAKE
APPROPRIATE STATEMENT.

4. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE URGENT EFFORTS TO IDENTIFY
AND LOCATE WILKINS' ALLEGED STATEMENT OF JUNE 28 AND
TO OBTAIN A COPY.

5. LONGER REPORT ON FINAL CHAPTER OF EXCELSIOR
SERIES WILL BE PROVIDED BY SEPTTEL.
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